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Meeting Minutes January 21, 2021

Meeting called to order: 6:15pm (Stacked Burger)

I. Roll

Attendees: Rodney Blaco (President), AJ Jenkins (Vice President), Ann Moore (Secretary), Sabrina Parra (Snack Bar Coordinator), Abraham Parra (co-Field Maintenance Coordinator), Miguel Salgado (Equipment Coordinator) Ken Sandman (Sponsorship Coordinator)

Absent: Fidel Mazon (Coaching Coordinator), Carlos Gomez (Field Maintenance Co-Coordinator), Brittney Bly (Player Agent), Rudy Aguilera (Uniform Coordinator), Shani Jenkins (Safety Officer), Lia Blaco (Team Parent Coordinator)

II. Approval of Prior Minutes - NA

III. Introduction of Guests - NA

IV. Officer Reports

- a. Secretary – none.
- b. Treasurer – balances of Kaweah and VYSA discussed. Will merge into single account on February 1st. Need list of ongoing bills to consolidate.
- c. Fundraising Coordinator – NA. Need to decide who will share responsibilities and what is viable given Covid restrictions.
- d. Sponsorship Coordinator– mailers will be ready next week and go out. Approximately 450 letters. Need any list from VYSA on additional sponsors.
- e. Player Agent – Grow the Game grant approvals coming in and Registration Portal ready to launch once prices are set.
- f. Safety Officer – none.
- g. Equipment Coordinator – will work with Rudy to collect, consolidate and re-tag equipment to 2021. New luggage tags and labels are in to be applied to all equipment.
- h. Field Maintenance Coordinators - will connect in order to take inventory as well as discuss when to move equipment along with sea trains. Also, need to price the cost of paint instead of chalk. Also need to price cost of paint for the budget (no chalk)
- i. Snack Bar Coordinator – needs list of items from VYSA. One or Two other board member(s) to be named to apply for a food handler's license for snack bar purposes
- j. Coaching Coordinator – none.



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- k. Umpire Coordinator – Rey ValVerde will serve as Umpire in Chief (non-board position)
- l. Team Parent Coordinator – none.
- m. Uniform Coordinator– none.
- n. Vice President– none.
- o. President
 - i. AJ and Rodney meeting with Park and Rec next Friday to review the contract.
 - ii. DBA will be filed.
 - iii. Applied for Covid relief Grant
 - iv. Will be pricing fencing options green mesh, chain-link and a roll-out.
 - v. Large amount of socks/belts need to be organized and placed in tubs.
 - 1. Rodney to buy tubs, and set date to organize.
- V. Committee Reports – none.
- VI. Old Business– none.
- VII. New Business
 - a. Board agreed to maintain current Board members in board voting positions for inaugural season.
 - b. League voting members to be established by the Board as identified as board, managers, coaches, team parents and other core volunteers as provided in bylaws.
 - c. Fundraising coordinator shall remain vacant unless, an individual volunteers for the job (non-voting). Otherwise fundraising will be handled by Ann, Sabrina and Brittini along with any other parents/volunteers who would like to help. Someone will be named as the responsible board member.
 - d. President Blaco suggested piggybacking off small businesses in order to purchase Covid related supplies for season. (Sanitizer, Lysol spray etc.) Can store in Ken's warehouse.
 - e. **Review and Modifications to rules in Bylaws:**
 - i. Board to re-visit Rule 48 draft rule & draft rule B in the event that we draft for the coaches. If allowed the board may pick teams due to Covid-19. President Blaco will look into official LL rules regarding team modifications with covid.
 - ii. President Blaco will look into any Covid flexibility in modifying older division teams, to allow players who are in the same school. Lower divisions will try to place players by school/family.
 - iii. Player pool rules are adopted with modifications due to Covid-19. In the event that a player "Opt's Out" of a game or cannot play due to exposure or positive diagnosis. The game will be played using Player-pool player (which may include pitchers/catchers as necessary to play the game). The



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manager not using a player pool must make decision to accept a forfeit win (and continue play) or play and have game result count.

- iv. Game times will run for 1 hour and 45 minutes with no new inning to start after 1 hour 35 minutes. Ties will be finished as necessary determined by league standings. All other ties will be completed based on manager agreement.
- v. Divisions will be used based on the number of teams in each division. Seeding will be done based on divisional record, then head-to-head record (odd number of games will be scheduled). In an event of a tie between two teams they will finish that game on a "rain day" as necessary to ensure that those teams are not 1-1-1. Thus no other tie-breaks would be necessary.
- vi. All-Stars, players will be able to vote 3 players, and Division coaches 1 player.
- vii. Umpire Coordinator Removed from Board position for 2021.
- viii. Rodney will apply for waiver for dropped 3rd Strike in Minors.
- ix. Rodney to make edits as stated above and by vote to master bylaws.

VIII. Votes:

- a. Motion to adopt Bylaws with above mentioned edits: Motion by AJ, Seconded Sabrina - Unanimous.
- b. Motion to adopt Playing Rules with edits above (except for Rule 7 regarding pitchers per inning in Majors to be discussed later): Motion by Miguel, Seconded Ken - Unanimous.
- c. Motion to have two-signature checks going forward. The following will be signatories on the Account: Rodney Blaco, AJ Jenkins and Sabrina Parra: Motion by Miguel, Seconded AJ – Unanimous.
- d. Motion to establish playing fees as: Rookie's and up will be charged a standard \$150. T-ball & Coach Pitch \$75.00: Motion by Ann , Seconded Ken- Unanimous.
 - i. Any player receiving the T-Mobile grant will be only charged that amount (\$125.00)
- e. Motion to use \$20 deposit as registration amount with amount fully refundable by May 1st. Motion by Miguel, Seconded Sabrina - Unanimous.

IX. Special Programs and Guests Presentations– none.

X. Announcements

- a. Good to the League– none.

XI. Adjournment @ 845pm

Next Meeting Date: TBD